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Prior to examination of the CPA application on the merits, and prior to calculation of the filing fee, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Add the following new claims 14 - 29:

14. A method for managing work processes comprising
using an object-oriented application framework to build and configure decision
process models comprised of interdependent decisions,

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